

### **Amendments to the Claims**

#### **Claims 1-15 (Cancelled)**

**Claim 16 (New)** A method of polishing a workpiece, the method comprising:  
polishing a workpiece by bringing the workpiece into contact with a polishing surface; and  
dressing the polishing surface after said polishing by ejecting fluid jets from a radially inward position at a first speed or pressure and from a radially outward position at a second speed or pressure which is higher than the first speed or pressure.

**Claim 17 (New)** The method as recited in claim 16, further comprising conditioning the polishing surface by a contact-type dresser for initial conditioning before starting using the polishing surface.

**Claim 18 (New)** The method as recited in claim 17, further comprising dressing the polishing surface after said polishing by the contact-type dresser simultaneously with said dressing of the polishing surface after said polishing by ejecting fluid jets.

**Claim 19 (New)** The method as recited in claim 18, wherein the contact-type dresser comprises a diamond dresser.

**Claim 20 (New)** A method of polishing a workpiece, the method comprising:  
polishing a workpiece by bringing the workpiece into contact with a polishing surface; and  
dressing the polishing surface after said polishing by ejecting fluid jets from a plurality of jet nozzles positioned at different heights from the polishing surface.

**Claim 21 (New)** The method as recited in claim 20, further comprising conditioning the polishing surface by a contact-type dresser for initial conditioning before starting using the polishing surface.

Claim 22 **(New)** The method as recited in claim 21, further comprising dressing the polishing surface after said polishing by the contact-type dresser simultaneously with said dressing of the polishing surface after said polishing by ejecting fluid jets.

Claim 23 **(New)** The method as recited in claim 22, wherein the contact-type dresser comprises a diamond dresser.

Claim 24 **(New)** A method of polishing a workpiece, the method comprising:  
polishing a workpiece by bringing the workpiece into contact with a polishing surface; and  
dressing the polishing surface after said polishing by ejecting fluid jets from a plurality of jet nozzles,

wherein a number of the plurality of jet nozzles at a radially inward position is less than a number of the plurality of jet nozzles at a radially outward position.

Claim 25 **(New)** The method as recited in claim 24, further comprising conditioning the polishing surface by a contact-type dresser for initial conditioning before starting using the polishing surface.

Claim 26 **(New)** The method as recited in claim 25, further comprising dressing the polishing surface after said polishing by the contact-type dresser simultaneously with said dressing of the polishing surface after said polishing by ejecting fluid jets.

Claim 27 **(New)** The method as recited in claim 26, wherein the contact-type dresser comprises a diamond dresser.